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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action herein, mailed 22 August 2003, time for response to which was set to expire 22 November 2003. Claims 1-6, 9, 11-12, 16-27, 22-37 (sic, 16-37), 39 and 45-84 were rejected. Applicants note with appreciation that only claim 1 has been rejected over the art or on any other basis, other than double-patenting. Thus, claims 2-6, 9, 11-12, 16-37, 39 and 45-84 are only rejected for double-patenting. Careful consideration has been given to the grounds for rejection, and the following amendment and discussion are offered in response. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.